



Statement of Purpose

Liberty Day mentors future leaders, preserving our representative republic form of government and the belief that our founding documents belong to the people of the United States. The ultimate goal of Liberty Day is the knowledge, understanding, protection and continuation of American liberties. In pursuit of this goal, Liberty Day activities throughout the country will continue their primary focus on factual contents of the U.S. Constitution and the Declaration of Independence.

"Every Man who loves peace, every man who loves his country, every man who loves liberty ought to have it ever before his eyes that he may cherish in his heart a due attachment to the Union of America and be able to set a due value on the means of preserving it."

**James Madison,
Federalist No.
41, January 1788**

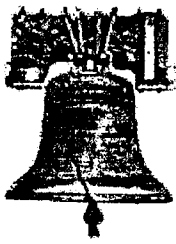
Liberty Day Case Statement

America...the land of the free. The Constitution and Declaration of Independence speaks of the freedoms that Americans enjoy, but how many of us Americans really know and understand what those freedoms are, and are we ready to take the responsibility to guarantee that these freedoms will be here for future generations?

It is the vision of Liberty Day, an organization that is concerned with citizenship, that one day *all* Americans will know and understand just what is written in the Constitution. In order to be competent, responsible, self-governing citizens, Americans need to take an active interest in their government. Educating the general public through youth ambassadors learning these truths and teaching others through on-the-spot quizzing and distribution of copies of the Constitution will quickly spread this knowledge.

Americans have been given freedom. We have been given liberty. We have been given self-government. But can we keep them? That is the responsibility of every American. Liberty Day wants to be the educational tool to help ensure these freedoms.

Approved by Liberty Day Advisory Board of Directors



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Mission Statement

Liberty Day is a non-profit, non-partisan volunteer effort to educate Americans about the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution. Our goal is to come alongside educators, parents, civic organizations, and government officials to provide them with ways to reach our youth with the facts of our founding documents. Our two most successful programs involve teaching 8-11 year olds questions & answers about the Constitution and planning a fun, interactive event where they get to quiz adults about what they have learned at locations such as state capitols, post offices, universities, and municipal forums. The second program involves scheduling speakers with civic service and government experience into classrooms, then students complete assignments related to the Constitutional message. Liberty Day is a registered trademark. Our goal is to help future generations of leaders understand the nature of our government as intended – these documents belong to the people. Our slogan is “*A Constitution in every pocket.*” We have no political agenda. Educating Americans is our future.

Recognition & Endorsements

Legislative Support

National bipartisan support from both the House and the Senate. House Concurrent Resolution 376 declaring March 16th as Liberty Day was issued in 2000. This year a new resolution is being requested. Senators Wayne Allard & Ken Salazar; Representatives Roscoe Bartlett, Tom Tancredo, Mark Udall, Bob Beauprez, and Diana DeGette co-signed a letter endorsing Liberty Day and seeking Presidential recognition.

Gubernatorial Proclamations & Letters of Recognition: Alabama, Alaska, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Maine, Massachusetts, Maryland, Michigan, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wyoming.

State legislatures have passed resolutions and/or individual legislators have written letters of support for Liberty Day in at least 28 states.

March 16th 2005 – Liberty Day Kids quizzed legislators, staff, and visitors at 20 state capitols, including Washington D.C. 750 Liberty Day Kids learned the facts of the Constitution. 6,500 adults were quizzed, and 7,400 Liberty Day booklets were distributed.

In the past 9 years, well over 500,000 Americans have been given their own pocket-sized copy of the U.S. Constitution without any paid staff. Andy McKean, Director of Liberty Day, and his deceased wife, Kathy, have dedicated themselves as a matter of civic duty and personal sacrifice to keep our founding documents alive and available to every American.

DISTRIBUTION REQUESTED

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*“They that can
 give up essential
 liberty to
 purchase a little
 temporary
 safety, deserve
 neither liberty
 nor safety.”*

*Benjamin
 Franklin.
 Historical
 Review of
 Pennsylvania.
 1759*

"How can you preserve, protect, & defend that which you do not know?"

~ Andy McKean



Civic Volunteers & Endorsements

Lion's Clubs, Optimists, Ruritan, Exchange Clubs, Rotary Clubs, Colorado Bar Association, American Legion, Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). Andy McKean was awarded the national Medal of Honor by the DAR in 2004

Educator Endorsements & Participants

National Education Association, Colorado Education Association, Colorado Federation of Teachers, Colorado Association of School Boards, Colorado Counties, Colorado Municipal League, Colorado Association of School Executives, Family Resource Center (Massachusetts), Christian Home Educators of Colorado, home school, private, public, and charter students, Boys & Girls Clubs, YMCA's and recreation centers.

Financial Donors

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A popular government, without popular information, or the means of acquiring it, is but a Prologue to a Farce or Tragedy; or, perhaps both. Knowledge will forever govern ignorance, and a people who mean to be their own Governors, must arm themselves with the power which knowledge gives."

James Madison, letter to W.T. Barry, 08-04-1822

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Yes, I would like to support Liberty Day!

Time / Volunteer Assistance

Name _____ E-Mail _____ Phone _____

Address _____

I would like to make a donation in the amount of \$ _____ (all gifts are gratefully accepted).

____ OTHER We could use your help in the area of resources, i.e. introductions to interested parties – corporate sponsors, educators, civic leaders, & individuals. Also, gifts of equipment/computer upgrades, travel assistance, printing, and office supplies are appreciated. Be creative... our founding fathers were!

△ THANK YOU! △

Mail to: Liberty Day ~ 2275 East Arapahoe Road ~ Suite 218 ~ Centennial, CO 80122
Please make your check payable to 'Liberty Day.' All gifts are tax deductible. A receipt will be mailed back to you along with a Constitution for your pocket so you can study before the quiz!